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Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Petitions.

By Representative Gentile of Sudbury and Senator Barrett, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4091) of Carmine Lawrence Gentile and Michael J. Barrett (by vote of the town) that the town of Sudbury be authorized to establish a fee for retail establishment checkout bags in said town; and

Sudbury,—
checkout
bags.

By Representative Pignatelli of Lenox and Senator Hinds, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4092) of Smitty Pignatelli and Adam G. Hinds (by vote of the town) relative to establishing an open town meeting in the town of Lee.

Lee,—
town
meeting.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

By Representative Rogers of Norwood and Senator Rush, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4093) of John H. Rogers and Michael F. Rush (by vote of the town) that the position of apprentice lineman in the town of Norwood be exempt from the civil service law. To the committee on Public Service.

Norwood,—
apprentice
lineman.

Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate.

Petitions severally were referred, in concurrence, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, as follows:

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2513) of Adam G. Hinds and Natalie M. Blais (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to the select board of the town of Goshen.

Goshen,—
select board.

Petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2515) of James B. Eldridge, Tami L. Gouveia and Danillo A. Sena (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Acton to adopt and enforce local regulations restricting new fossil fuel infrastructure in certain construction.

Acton,—
fossil fuel
infrastructure.

Severally to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government.

Reports of Committees.

By Mr. Galvin of Canton, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the following petitions:

Petition (accompanied by bill) of James M. Kelcourse and Diana DiZoglio (by vote of the town) that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to convey a certain parcel of land to the town of Salisbury for affordable housing purposes. To the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government

Salisbury,—
land.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Andres X. Vargas that the Massachusetts Department of Transportation conduct a comprehensive noise study along interstate highway Route 495 in the city of Haverhill; and

Route 495,—
noise study.

Petition (accompanied by bill) of Andres X. Vargas relative to designating a certain bridge spanning Interstate Route 495 in the city of Haverhill as the Ted and Mary Murphy bridge;

Haverhill,—
Ted and Mary
Murphy bridge.

Severally to the committee on Transportation.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus, the reports were considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 then was suspended, in each instance. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Engrossed Bill.

The engrossed Bill validating the annual town meeting held in the town of Nahant (see Senate bill printed in Senate, No. 2487) (which originated in the Senate), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was passed to be enacted (more than two-thirds of the members having agreed to pass the same); and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Bill
enacted.

Orders of the Day.

Senate bills

Amending the charter of the city of Amesbury to increase the term of the mayor to 4 years (Senate, No. 2449); and

Third
reading
bills.

Amending the charter of the city of Amesbury relative to the position of school committee chair (Senate, No. 2450);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

The House Bill authorizing the conveyance of a conservation restriction on the land known as Inter Lochen Park in the town of Sharon (House, No. 3867), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Third
reading
bill.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Mariano of Quincy,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Thursday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next
sitting.

At five minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Muratore of Plymouth (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Thursday at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.